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Mr Ian Martin
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Dear Mr Martin,

The arrests in Egypt are continuing, and under no authority other than the emergency laws.

Recently men have been arrested for the simple reason that they were wearing beards, or for being in possession of recordings of the Qur'an, and a few days ago the prominent writer, Safinaz Kasim, was arrested, together with her daughter, as they left their house - by the State Security Police.

I hope that Amnesty International will do its utmost to publicise and seek to redress these flagrant violations of the people's rights.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary General

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